

From: Bob Perciasepe/DC/USEPA/US
Sent: 1/8/2012 12:16:52 PM
To: Bob Sussman/DC/USEPA/US
CC:
Subject: RE: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Ex. 5 - Deliberative

Bob Perciasepe
Deputy Administrator
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Ex. 6 - Personal Privacy

----- Original Message -----

From : Bob Sussman/DC/USEPA/US
To : Bob Perciasepe/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc :
Sent on : 01/08/2012 07:35:15 AM
Subject : Fw: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Robert M. Sussman
Senior Policy Counsel to the Administrator
Office of the Administrator
US Environmental Protection Agency

----- Forwarded by Bob Sussman/DC/USEPA/US on 01/08/2012 07:34 AM -----

From: Betsaida Alcantara/DC/USEPA/US
To: Gilfillan.Brendan@epamail.epa.gov, "Shawn Garvin" <Garvin.Shawn@epamail.epa.gov>, Sussman.Bob@epamail.epa.gov
Date: 01/07/2012 06:09 PM
Subject: Fw: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

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----- Original Message -----

From: "Rubinkam, Michael" [mrubinkam@ap.org]
Sent: 01/07/2012 09:56 PM GMT
To: Betsaida Alcantara
Cc: Terri-A White; Richard Fetzer; Trish Taylor; David Sternberg; Brendan Gilfillan
Subject: RE: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Actually, EPA reneged on its promise.

All of the litigants were told yesterday that EPA would arrange to deliver water. Today, they were told the delivery was canceled. Why?

-----Original Message-----

From: Betsaida Alcantara [mailto:Alcantara.Betsaida@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Saturday, January 07, 2012 4:52 PM
To: Rubinkam, Michael
Cc: Terri-A White; Richard Fetzer; Trish Taylor; David Sternberg; Brendan Gilfillan
Subject: Re: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Michael,
Nothing has changed since we emailed yesterday. We are actively filling information gaps and determining next steps in Dimock. We have made no decision at this time to provide water.

----- Original Message -----

From: "Rubinkam, Michael" [mrubinkam@ap.org]
Sent: 01/07/2012 07:24 PM GMT
To: Betsaida Alcantara
Cc: Terri-A White; Richard Fetzer; Trish Taylor; David Sternberg; Brendan Gilfillan
Subject: Re: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Julie Sautner says her husband got a call from Richard Fetzer this morning that EPA will NOT deliver water now, but would not give a reason. Can you confirm this call took place and explain what happened?

Mike Rubinkam
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610-207-9297

----- Original Message -----

From: Betsaida Alcantara [mailto:Alcantara.Betsaida@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 06, 2012 08:30 PM
To: Rubinkam, Michael
Cc: Terri-A White <White.Terri-A@epamail.epa.gov>; Richard Fetzer <Fetzer.Richard@epamail.epa.gov>; Trish Taylor <Taylor.Trish@epamail.epa.gov>; David Sternberg <Sternberg.David@epamail.epa.gov>; Brendan Gilfillan <Gilfillan.Brendan@epamail.epa.gov>
Subject: Re: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Michael,
I want to reiterate what the statement says, no decision has been made. As I said, if anything changes we will keep you posted.

----- Original Message -----

From: "Rubinkam, Michael" [mrubinkam@ap.org]
Sent: 01/06/2012 11:42 PM GMT
To: Betsaida Alcantara
Cc: Terri-A White; Richard Fetzer; Trish Taylor; David Sternberg; Brendan Gilfillan
Subject: RE: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

I now have a third resident who recounted an identical conversation with EPA. Ms. Alcantara, it's one thing for EPA to issue a no-comment. It's entirely another thing to say, as you did at 2:10, that "No decision has been made by EPA to provide alternate sources of water." That's a false statement, unless all three residents are horribly mistaken about what they were told.

-----Original Message-----

From: Betsaida Alcantara [mailto:Alcantara.Betsaida@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 06, 2012 5:53 PM
To: Rubinkam, Michael
Cc: Terri-A White; Richard Fetzer; Trish Taylor; David Sternberg; Brendan Gilfillan
Subject: Re: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Michael,

This is all we have for now. As we continue to survey the area, we will keep everyone informed when we have more information.

----- Original Message -----

From: "Rubinkam, Michael" [mrubinkam@ap.org]

Sent: 01/06/2012 09:17 PM GMT

To: Betsaida Alcantara

Cc: Terri-A White; Richard Fetzer; Trish Taylor; David Sternberg

Subject: RE: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Folks,

It's getting late on a Friday afternoon, and I need to get this straightened out ASAP. I know what Betsaida emailed two hours ago, but that's not even close to what Julie Sautner's understanding of the situation is. If EPA has agreed to have water delivered, that's important and I need to report it. Betsaida, are you absolutely sure the information you gave me is accurate, that EPA has not promised to have water delivered? Is it even under consideration?

Thanks,

Mike

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-----Original Message-----

From: Rubinkam, Michael

Sent: Friday, January 06, 2012 2:14 PM

To: 'Betsaida Alcantara'

Cc: Terri-A White

Subject: RE: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

That is not what Julie Sautner says she was told. She says was told by Richard Fetzer this morning "that they were going to deliver us water" and that the deliveries would begin as early as today, tomorrow at the latest. She says Fetzer told her EPA would use a private contractor.

I don't see how she could have gotten it so dramatically wrong. If Fetzer didn't tell her that, then what did he tell her?

-----Original Message-----

From: Betsaida Alcantara [mailto:Alcantara.Betsaida@epamail.epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, January 06, 2012 2:10 PM

To: Rubinkam, Michael

Cc: Terri-A White

Subject: Fw: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Michael,

Here's where the Agency is at this time:

At this time, our goal is understanding the situation in Dimock and evaluating additional options, including further sampling. No decision has been made by EPA to provide alternate sources of water.

Betsaida Alcantara
Press Secretary
US Environmental Protection Agency
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----- Forwarded by Betsaida Alcantara/DC/USEPA/US on 01/06/2012 02:09 PM

From: Terri-A White/R3/USEPA/US
To: Betsaida Alcantara/DC/USEPA/US@EPA
Cc: kulik.michael@epa.gov
Date: 01/06/2012 02:01 PM
Subject: Fw: from AP re: Dimock - Please handle

Betsaida,

see below.
----- Forwarded by Terri-A White/R3/USEPA/US on 01/06/2012 02:00 PM

From: "Rubinkam, Michael" <mrubinkam@ap.org>
To: Terri-A White/R3/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 01/06/2012 01:57 PM
Subject: RE: from AP re: Dimock

Thanks. Don't want to be pushy, but can you confirm now that EPA is hiring a private contractor to deliver water to Dimock? We can flesh out with details later.

From: Terri-A White [mailto:White.Terri-A@epamail.epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 06, 2012 12:47 PM
To: Rubinkam, Michael
Subject: Re: from AP re: Dimock

Confirming receipt of your question. Will get back to you.

From: "Rubinkam, Michael" <mrubinkam@ap.org>
To: Terri-A White/R3/USEPA/US@EPA
Date: 01/06/2012 12:38 PM
Subject: from AP re: Dimock

Terri
Please give me a call ASAP. I understand EPA is arranging to have water delivered to the people in Dimock.
Thanks
Mike

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